

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4545
ANSWERED ON:18.12.2000
DAILY ALLOWANCE TO INDIAN PARTICIPANTS OF SYDNEY OLYMPICS
A.P. ABDULLAKUTTY

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria followed by the Government for providing authorised daily allowance to the participants of Sydney Olympics;
- (b) whether any discrepancy has been noticed in regard to payment of the said allowance to different participants;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether authorised daily allowance to the players entered in the passport is different from that what they actually received; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS(SHRI PON. RADHAKIRISHNAN)

- (a) The Government of India did not sanction/provided daily allowance to the participants. However, Indian Contingent cleared by Government was sanctioned out of pocket expenses @ USD35 per day.
- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) & (e): Based on the information and reports in the media on the issue of conversion of money into foreign exchange and transfer thereof during the Sydney Olympics, Government asked Indian Olympic Association (IOA) to furnish complete details in the matter. The IOA has since intimated the details in this regard. The matter has been again referred to Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue for its opinion.